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A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program



Courtney Mattison shared her vision for uniting art and biology during her talk last week.



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"Anticipation" by Elizabeth Rhee '15

I wait,
I walk
through loved trails,
wide enough for
a horse and carriage
or a grandfather
walking his beagle,
Daisy.

The sun warms large
puddles, leftover from
the morning drizzle.
Steams rise.

Boulders beneath the
Triple Falls, serve as
a lounge chair for
lizards and Vietnam
veterans basking in
breath-taking beauty.

Stoic water molecules
shift down the river,
waiting for
the crash and break
down feet of rocks.

I listen
rushes grow louder
by each step.
In the unknown,
curiosity fills my worn
calves, burning after
each incline.

Beams of sun
warm my face,
enjoyable by
laying out and
head resting on
a sunflower yellow
Patagonia jacket.

As hurrying
waters penetrate
rocks, I slowly
close my eyes.

ENVS Capstone Presentations

Today 3:00-5:00pm

Michael S. Brown Village, Room 113

Three 15-minute presentations

Starting at 3:00pm

Hunter McGahee

*Experiencing a Primal State: Running
Narratives*

Rags Cox

Conservative Conservation

Michelle Green

*Corporate America and Sustainability: the
dilemma for sustainability-minded
undergraduates entering the workforce*

Poster Session & Reception

3:45-5:00pm

Elizabeth Bishop - *The Feasibility of Solar
Energy: Taking a closer look at the United States
and Barcelona, Spain*

Hunter Bradshaw - *Black Soldier Fly Larvae
Composting: Diverting food waste away from
landfills by utilizing natural processes*

Michael Comer - *Sustainability in Ski Resorts:
The rise of green ski resorts*

Jillian Cothran - *Oasis in the Food Desert: An
evolution of the Northside food desert and the
work of the Hub City Farmer's Market*

James Daly - *Feasibility of Tidal Energy in
Savannah, GA: Macro tidal energy developments
and a small-scale study*

Madison Daly - *Winds of Fortune:*

*Analyzing the feasibility of wind energy at a
marina in Savannah, GA*

Lauren Dunbar - *Looking at Golf Courses
with a Green Eye*

Sara Frances Koontz - *Sustainable by
Design: The importance of sustainably designed
buildings and the opportunity at Wofford
College*

Savannah Paige Murray - *A Century
Among the Pines: Pinus strobus studies in
western North Carolina*

Taylor Neal - *Wholesome Riches of the Earth:
A cookbook and guide to healthful, sustainable
eating in the Upstate of South Carolina*

Sam Parrott - *Contaminants in Ground
Water: the Case at Hoechst Celanese*

Jordan Pope - *Waste Power: A business plan
for methane production from restaurant food
waste*

Elizabeth Rhee - *Environmental Awareness
through TIME: The portrayal of environmental
aspects through the media*

Jacob Strehl - *Compost Matters: A business
plan for residential compost and recycling
collection*

Prescott Tweedy - *Mitigating the Urban
Heat Island: A feasibility analysis of green
roofing membranes*

Christopher Underwood - *'Your Paddle to
the Sea!' Trail Guide and Website*

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

- April 26th** ***Jam in the Park Earth Day Celebration:*** Live music, 1:00-7:00pm, at the Duncan Park Amphitheatre with *Bill & Tad's Excellent Duo*, *The Clay Puppets*, *The Rock-A-Fellers*, *Abbey Elmore Band*, *Soul Intent*, and more. www.JamInThePark.com
- May 1st** ***2015 Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System Criterium:*** Come out and enjoy the races in downtown Spartanburg! The first race starts at 4:00pm. Races are scheduled throughout the afternoon/evening with the women's pros starting at 7:05pm and the men's pros at 8:30pm. May is National Bike Month! Check out <http://www.active-living.org/criterium> for more details.
- May 3rd** ***Hammock-a-thon at Glendale Shoals:*** 1:00-3:00pm – Bring your hammock and join us for music by Bearcastle Plantation, free hot dogs, and activities for the kids. *Local Hiker* will display and sell ENO hammocks. Contact: Haley Briel brielhe@wofford.edu
- Ongoing** ***Longleaf Alliance Summer Internship:*** LLA is looking for a rising junior or senior to be a social media intern this summer. This is a paid internship in Alabama. Submit resume and cover letter to Rebecca Parker, assistant director in The Space, parkerrm@wofford.edu.

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PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

University of Pennsylvania – College of Liberal & Professional Studies

The University of Pennsylvania offers a Master of Environmental Studies (MES) program through its College of Liberal and Professional Studies.

There are several concentrations within the program including environmental advocacy & education, environmental biology, environmental sustainability, environmental policy, resource management, and urban environment. Each student is able to choose one of these six paths or create their own focus.

For students interested in environmental leadership roles in business or government, the University of Pennsylvania offers Master of Environmental Studies Special Programs. These are dual programs combining a MES with a Master of Business Administration or Master of Governmental Administration.

If you are interested in learning more about this program, please visit their website:

<http://www.sas.upenn.edu/lps/graduate/mes/>.